Spherical Space Forms: Homotopy Types and Self-Equivalences for the Group $(\mathbb{Z}/a \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/b) \times SL_2(\mathbb{F}_p)$

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Abstract. Let $G=(\mathbb{Z}/a\rtimes\mathbb{Z}/b)\times \operatorname{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_p)$, and let X(n) be an n-dimensional CW-complex of the homotopy type of an n-sphere. We study the automorphism group $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$ in order to compute the number of distinct homotopy types of spherical space forms with respect to free and cellular G-actions on all CW-complexes X(2dn-1), where 2d is the period of G. The groups $\mathcal{E}(X(2dn-1)/\mu)$ of self homotopy equivalences of space forms $X(2dn-1)/\mu$ associated with free and cellular G-actions μ on X(2dn-1) are determined as well.

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